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1. SCI ATT ATTENDED MEETING OF JULY 18 SPECIAL HEALTH COMMISSION
ESTABLISHED BY PRES. LEONE. THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WAS:

1) WHO (AND WHEN) SHALL VISIT HEW IN REPOSE TO THE INVITATION
FORWARDED IN REF B.

2) EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF EXPANDING PRESENTLY CONCEIVED
PROGRAM OF TELEMEDICINE TO INCLUDE OTHER HEALTH MATTERS, AS
A RESULT OF THE DISCUSSIONS HELD BY PRES. LEONE WITH PRES.
FORD ON JUNE 3 AND THE CONTINUING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO
PROF. GIUNCHI BY PRIME MIN. MORO.

3) CONDUCT A PRELIMINARY SUVERY OF THE MARCH REGION (ANCONA AREA),
THE INTENDED SITE OF THE REMOTE TERMINAL OF THE PROPOSED TELE-
MEDICINE PROGRAM.

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2. THE RESULTS OF THE TWO HOUR MEETING WITH THE COMMISSIONERE WERE:

1) PRE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION, PROF. DR. GIUNCHI WILL REQUEST A COMMITMENT FROM PRIMIN NORO TO ESTABLISH, WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF THE MINISTRIES OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND POST AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AN INSTITUTE TO COORDINATE ALL HEALTH ACTIVITIES. THE COMPOSITION OF THE REPRESENTATIVES AND THE DATE OF THE MEETING WILL THEN BE DETERMINED. PROF. GIUNCHI AND THE EMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ARE CONFIDENT THEY WILL RECEIVE THE COMMITMENT. THE ITALIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES WILL THEN THEN BE ASKED TO SCHEDULE AND ATTEND THE MEETING WITH HEW. IT IS EXPECTED THAT THIS WILL OCCUR IN EARLY SEPTEMBER.

2) PFO. GIUNCHI WILL REQUEST APPROVAL FROM NASA TO HAVE THE DIRECTOR OF THE LIFE SCIENCES CENTER OF JMSFC IN HOUSTON TO VISIT ITALY TO BRIEF KEY PEOPLE ON THE STATE-OF-THE-ART.

3) PFO. CACCIAPUOTTI, PRES. OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OF THE NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL WAS APPOINTED TO THE COMMISSION.

4) PROF. DR. FRANCO BALSANO AND SCIATT CONDUCTED A PRELIMINARY SURVEY OF THE MARCH REGION OF ITALY ON JULY 18 AND 19. THE ALTITUDE OF THE REGION IS GOOD FOR TV TRANSMISSION TO ROME AND IS WITHOUT EXTREMELY TALL BUILDINGS; THE ONE MOUNTAIN RANGE COULD BE THE SITE OF THE RELAY STATION. THE EXTREMELY NUMEROUS VILLAGES AND SMALL CITIES WILL PROVIDE, UPON COMPLETION OF THE TEST PROGRAM, AN EXCELLENT SOURCE OF DATA FOR THE DESIGN OF THE OPTIMUM SYSTEM.VOLPE

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